



# County of Imperial

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## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Ms. Rosa C. López  
Administrative Analyst  
Imperial Valley Association of Governments (IVAG)  
940 Main Street  
El Centro, CA 92243

**SUBJECT:** Imperial County Public Works and City of El Centro Joint Request for Planning, Programming and Monitoring (PPM) Project Funds

Dear Ms. López:

The County and the City of El Centro would like to jointly apply for PPM monies to have a Project Study Report (PSR) prepared for the extension of Imperial Avenue from I-8 south to McCabe Road. It is anticipated that \$100,000 would be sufficient to address a complete PSR.

The City of El Centro has sponsored the I-8/Imperial Avenue interchange and it is on the STIP as well as designated a "near term" project with programmed fund commitments within the draft Imperial Valley 20 Year Transportation Plan.

This interchange will permit traffic the ability to continue south of I-8 along Imperial Avenue as well as allow I-8 traffic to exit south of I-8 along Imperial Avenue.

Originally the city and the County would need to fund this study for Imperial Avenue south of I-8 to McCabe Road. There has been a significant increase in residential development in this area as well as other proposed developments south of I-8. The city and the County both believe that the logical step would be to extend Imperial Avenue to McCabe Road. This route would serve as an important north-south arterial that would ultimately support traffic between the east side of Calexico and the City of El Centro. Those in the Heber area would also benefit from this route. This would also reduce the current road impacts to Clark Road, (8<sup>th</sup> Street), Hwy 86 and Dogwood Road, roads which currently carry a large volume of daily truck and other vehicular traffic.

Attached please find an 8 ½ x 11 location map for your reference.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this request.

Sincerely yours,

TIMOTHY B. JONES  
Director of Public Works

BY:

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Frank Fiorenza  
Deputy Director of Public Works – Engineering

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cc: Steve Hogan, City of El Centro  
Kathi Williams, Administrative Analyst II

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